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Inspection Date: May 17, 2016

Subsequent Visit Date(s): February 4, 2016
April 4, 2016
July 19, 2016

Technical Assistance Date(s): February 4, 2016
May 27, 2016

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INTRODUCTION

The new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards are in the process of being adopted, therefore the 20th annual evaluation of the Marion County Juvenile Detention Center consisted of an audit of the current 26 mandatory compliance standards or the corresponding 16 newly proposed mandatory compliance standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain “Full Compliance”.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county	Marion
Governing authority	Marion Superior Court
Name of facility administrator	Terrance Asante-Doyle
Detention facility’s mission	The Marion County Juvenile Detention Center is dedicated to providing a safe and secure facility for detained youth while providing education and competency building

	services to the young men and women during their stay with us.
Rated capacity	144
Population on date of audit	94
Average daily population for the last 12 months	95.70
Average length of stay for the last 12 months	20.73 days
Year the building was built	1990
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)	Recently painted computer room, mental health/counseling hallway, shift manager office, administration area, learning center classrooms and common areas.
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)	Addition 7 kennels to house canines during the weeks of the Paws and Think Program
De-escalation techniques training	Safe Crisis Management
Physical force techniques training	Safe Crisis Management
Chemical agents permitted	No
Name of food service provider	Aviands
Name of food service supervisor	Laurie Grice
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Correct Care Solutions
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	David Ofstein, PhD, LMHC, LCAC

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 16 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott
File Review of the 16 mandatory standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant. • Marion County Juvenile Detention Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.
Facility Tour	The Center was clean and offers a safe environment.
Youth Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four youth (two male and two female), all with three or more previous detention stays, were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. • All youth reported feeling safe at the facility. • Youth stated the living units were cold and uncomfortable. • Youth comments were shared with facility administrators.
Recommendations	None

SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 2/4/2016, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Marion County Juvenile Center by Chance

Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Supt Doyle and Asst. Supt. Snider. Youth were observed participating in education and recreation classes under direct supervision of detention staff. The facility population count was 78. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and the sanitation level in the facility was satisfactory.

On 4/4/2016, a second subsequent visit was conducted of the Marion County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Asst. Supt. Snider. Youth were observed participating in education and recreation classes under direct supervision of detention staff. The facility population count was 86. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and the sanitation level in the facility was above average.

On 7/19/2016, a third subsequent visit was conducted of the Marion County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Asst. Supt. Snider and youth were observed participating in education and recreation classes under direct supervision of detention staff and the facility population count is 92 youth. All youth appeared to be in good health and all areas appeared to be well-maintained and sanitation levels in the facility were found to be above average.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE VISIT(S)

The Marion County Juvenile Detention Center's education technical assistance visit occurred on 2/4/16 and was conducted by Laurie Elliott. The education program is an approved charter school, following the local public school calendar. An instructional day is six hours. Instruction is delivered via an on-site, licensed classroom teacher utilizing a curriculum created at the facility and overseeing an approved online instructional program. The method of instruction depends on the juvenile's need. Program staff is provided through the charter.

The Marion County Juvenile Detention Center's training and development technical assistance visit occurred on 5/27/16 and was conducted by Kristin Herrmann. The technical assistance provided included identifying key changes to the standards, answering questions, and discussing the facility's training plan.

CONCLUSION

Marion County Juvenile Detention Center is in full compliance with the 2016 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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